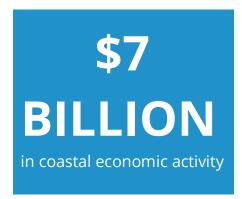
## PROTECTING DELAWARE'S **ECONOMY & NATURAL RESOURCES**

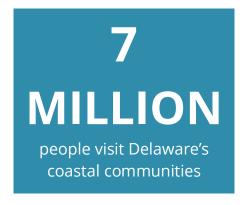
Risks of Offshore Drilling



59,000

JOBS
in the fishing, tourism and recreation sectors

\$3.3
BILLION
to Delaware's GDP, and is the
State's fourth largest employer



## **OFFSHORE DRILLING - RISKS TO DELAWARE**

- ▶ Drilling for oil and gas in the Atlantic off Delaware's coast would create the risk of a catastrophic spill or other related disasters that would threaten Delaware's economy and our natural resources.
- ▶ In Delaware, coastal tourism and industry accounts for 59,000 jobs and almost \$7 billion in economic production.
- Impacts to our beaches, bays, shorelines, and water quality from oil spills, leaks, or drilling fluids could deter visitors and severely impact our coastal economy.
- ▶ Delaware is our **country's lowest-lying state**, and the effects of sea-level rise pose significant risks.
- Expanding fossil fuel production is counterproductive to reducing carbon emissions, and hinders progress toward long-term sustainable energy sources.

## **GOVERNOR CARNEY'S POSITION**

"Drilling for oil and gas in the Atlantic off Delaware's coast would create the risk of a catastrophic spill or other related disasters that would not only threaten our natural resources, but pose serious threats to Delaware's economy. I continue to stand with Delawareans in opposing drilling off the coast of Delaware or elsewhere in the Atlantic."

— Governor John Carney